## A MEMPHIAN IN CHICAGO

COMMENTS UPON MATTERS OF GEN-ERAL PUBLIC INTEREST.

The Cronin and Snell Murder Mysteries-The Unsavory Potter-Bellew Combination-The Chicago Press Club and Some Members.

Correspondence of The Appeal.

Cincago, Ill., May 28 .- The Cronin murder mystery, now agitating the publie mind of this city, affords a fitting opportunity to call attention to the contrast offered by two murders-one occurring in the wilds of Arkansas, the other on one of the most fashionable thoroughfares in the

Early in 1868, on Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Amos J. Snell, a millionaire real estate dealer, was shot to death in his own house, in the dead of night, by persons supposed to be burglars. Within a few hours the entire police force of this great city was on the lookout for the murderer. The greatest reward ever offered for a human being-\$50,000-was promised the person who would apprehend the assassin of Mr. Snell. Week after week, month after month, the search went on, the criminal all the while cluding the vig-

the criminal all the while cluding the vig-ilance of his would-be captors.

This murder occurred in the midst of a community of a million souls; the ablest detective talent on the continent was em-ployed to find the assassin; the enormity of the reward induced hundreds in private life to enter the search, and after all, the villain is still at large.

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January of the present year brought to light another murder—that of John M. Clayton, at Plummerville, Ark. There, too, were the tactics of the Snell family employed to apprehend the criminal. A large reward—although it amounted to less than one fifth of the sum offered for the Snell murderer—failed to bring the assassin to justice. It is now generally believed that the slayer of John M. Clayton will, like the assassin of Amos J. Snell, never be brought before the bar of public

Now, grant that the Clayton murder was political, and that the murderer is, like President Eliot, of Harvard, a wicked tariff reformer, what does a failure to capture him prove? Simply what it proves in the Snell case—that the machinery of ustice is only human, and that, not being divine, it is exceedingly liable to fail-ures. If the Democratic Administration of Arkansas committed the Clayton mur-der—and the failure of the officers to arrest the criminal has been used by the saintly Chicago Tribune to prove that it did-then must the Republican machine of the city of Chicago be held accountable for the Snell murder and a dozen other crimes of equal atrocity, the perpetrators of which have never been identified or

Notwithstanding the unsavory notoriety of this city as a center of dramatic rotten-ness, there occasionally comes to the surface a pointer serving to illustrate the direction of a current of morality entirely sound and altogether vigorous. Last week the Potter-Bellew combination was nu-corked at McVicker's. Odors from the expiring Carter divorce case, which was in the hands of the jury not two squares away, had prepared the people for a stench vile enough to smell to heaven. Bellew is a beauty. That is, the silly women of the country have told him so. Morally, he is several grades below buzzard-on-toast, and when the self-confessed libertine appeared before the footlights he was, notwithstanding the presence of a strong claque, roundly hissed by the good people, who might have saved their money and allowed the English whippersnapper to gaze at

The Chicago Press Club occupies spacious quarters at the corner of Clark and Madison streets. Men with national reputations walk in with an unimportant stride not easily understood by the commonality. John McGovern, who spreads himself on one of the brightest editorial pages in America, that of the Herald, belongs to that large and increasing class of tall, intellectual men, such as Speaker Baby Bug Carlisle and others. Franc B. Wilkie (Palinto), the charming essaylet and cditorial writer, the auther of "Pen and "May F Powder," passes some of his few spare moments at a game of solitaire. Opie P. Read, the widely known editor of the Arkonane Transfer, looks like a typical Kentuckian—tall, well built, rather inclined to be stout, with piercing eyes and a genial smile. It is retreabling and in-structive to invade the haunts of greatness and to spend an hour there.

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formation please apply to ticket agents of connecting bacs, or to H. C. Holobied, Division Passenger Agent, No. 99 West Fourth street, Cincinnai, O. A Equator Crowing.

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with pleasure. Tun State Female Sabbath-school picnic is postponed indefinitely on account of the inclement weather.

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Lanus, for 25e you can buy a Hat worth \$2.00 at F. Lavigne's.

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Have something to say in the following advertisement that will interest every reader of this paper. This being the last day of fair May, we will give every one a chance to see a "May Fair," for on this very day we will sell our entire stock of

Art Goods, Bronzes and Bisques, at prices that really would astonish the people that made them. We can name only a few here, but we venture to say that such bargains were never offered be-In large cities the buyers of goods are numerous, here they are few; but we must sell, and to do so recognize that we must sustain a loss. All who are

Beautiful Home Surroundings, all who desire to make others happy with appropriate presents that will not fade in a day, but remain fresh forever, can find articles to please them. What can be more acceptable for

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In connection with this sale of art works we shall offer in same department some special lots of table-ware, as follows: French China Ice Cream Sets \$3.90,

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French After-dinner Coffees, in cases, French China Caps and Saucers 75c,

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Special Notice: A little further along ou will find something about a few lots of silks and dress goods, bought last week at a sacrifice in New York and sold here at a small advance—all new, desirable and seasonable-they are worthy of considera-

We put on our counters yesterday 20 exceedingly tempting bargains, such as Batiste Cloths at 5c, worth 15c; white Dress Goods at 5c, and some beautiful tinted Striped Mulis at 84c. The sudden change of the weather kept people within doors, so very few took advantage of the sale. To make this day doubly attractive all of yesterday's bargains will be retained and the new ones mentioned added,

Don't forget that the Book sale still keeps up. Don't put off buying until the variety is broken, Bancroft's United States in eight volumes is only So. Max 'Reli's new book is in. There are a few Shakespeare, Dickens and Thackeray at the reduced prices.

Don't forget our list in yesterday's paper of Muslin Underwear, Ladies' Wrape, Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes, Mattings, Baby Buggies and Rugs—the whole kept on today. We want to make, in deed and

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# AS THE DOCTOR SAW IT.

A MEMPHIAN RETURNS FROM THE BORDERS OF OKLAHOMA.

He Saw Nothing of the Thrilling Scenes and Incidents Fabricated Into Exciting Stories, and Considers It a Great Country in Many Respects.

Dr. J. W. McClure was one of the many Memphians who bolted for Oklahoma, the land of hope and scheming Government officials.

He joined one of the earlier throngs, and arrived on the scene while yet there was confusion, some strife, a great deal of annoyance and no little disappointment.

The doctor was not of the class who positively bade farewell to former home and friends forever; in fact, he had money that he considered it wise to expend in travel for broader information; therefore he elected that some of it should be devoted to at least a casual study of Oklahoma. He went, he saw, he was satisfied, and now he is again in Memphis. An APPEAL reporter met Dr. McClure yesterday, and the conversation soon turned upon the newly-opened-for-civilization

"How did I like it?" said the returned tourist, repeating the reporter's question, There are far worse and less attractive sections of country in the United States. Had I been dissatisfied with Memphis and prospecting for a new location, perhaps the balance of my days would have been passed as a citizen of Oklahoma; perhaps not. You see, I went over there with no such end in view; have no such idea as lorgaking Memphis in mind, and one cannct always speak positively under those cremmstances. You newspaper men, while possessed of many noble qualities, a class without whom any community would be and and hardly recognized in the field of advancement and prosperity, are too much given to straining for sensational effect. While deploring them, I have rather enjoyed the numerous luridly sensational stories sent out with reference to life and civilization in the recently opened country. These stories covered a wide range of subjects, such as men mu derine their fellows in every conceivable manner, whole families starving to death, others wasting away and losing reason duliy for lack of nourish-ment, and all sorts of rascality and criminality. These are all amusing to me, who spent some time over there, or they would be, but for the unfavorable effect they must have upon the country and people who have adopted it as their home. Are they fabrications? Most of them, and the balance are alarmingly exaggrated. A more peaceable and law-abiding people do not available. not exist than thost who have settled in Oklahoma, taken as a whole. A happle and better-provided for lot of individuals do not live, considered in the entirety. Many of them did not go over solely to seek fortunes, but through a love of adventure, and to enjoy the experigetting along nicely, and would have continued to prosper, at their old homes, or in any section of the States to which they might have gone, but from the promptings of the regular American apirit, elected to become an Oklahomaite, just for the novelty of the thing. Being there,

they are and will ever be good citizens, to their country and themselves,"
"What of the country itself, and its opportunities to people to increase their wordly stores?"

"As I said before, "here are worse conctries, and so there are infinitely better. It is well up on an average. There are objections, such as intelligent, practical men will find in any land or community. Timber is not so plentiful as it might be. and what there is is of a scrubby character. The soil is of a reddish cast, mixed with sand, unsuited to some crops, but promises to be productive for others. The ountry is pretty well watered, has pient d grass, and an almost unlimited quantity of good building stone. I have trav-eled extensively, and it is what I would

turm a levely country."

"There have been some fine specimens

of mushroom growth over there, so it is reported. Did you observe them?"
"If you refer to the rapid building of young cities and towns, you are correctly informed. Oktaborea City is a notable instance. It is on the Santa Fe Relicoal, one-half a mile from the Canadian hiver. There were but two houses standing in it on the moraling the Territory was thrown open to rectiles. Within thirty days there were 1,236 houses built, some of them were 1,236 houses built, tome of them elegant ones, among them a half 145 feet long, whele blocks of two story business at netures, and an elegant postoffice. In fact, every kind of brainess is overlone, duthile is a considerably larger city, where one of the land offices is located. Lots are increasing rapidly in value, come having recently sold as high as \$2,000 each. All the lands are being homesteaded, most of the lest tracts being filed upon or taken. I regard it as a good on. upon or taken. I regard it as a good op-portunity for a man to get a home, but Memphis presents equally good opportun-ities for the right sort of men, and it is good enough for me."

Rolliday Markets.

Yesterday being a National and State holiday, banks and exchanges were closed, no reports being sent or received by the exchanges. The local cotton market remalned michanged as to quotations, receipts of cotton being 26 bales, against 237 bales same day last year. Total receipts since September 2, 702,306 bales, against 646,-717 bales for corresponding time last year. Shipments yesterday, 397 bales, against 835 bales same day last year. Shipments since September 1, 696,864 bales, against 692,724 bales for same time last season. Stock on hand, 7,316 bales, against 28,374

bales same day last year,

A special to the Cotton Exchange from Liver; noi gave sales, 8,000 bales; futures closing as below: May-June, 6.01d; June-July, 6.01d; July-August, 6.02d.

At Lordon, consols closed at 90 1-164 for both money and account. Bullion withdrawn from Bank of England yesterday, £115,000. The bullion in Bank of England increased £5,000 during the past week, and the proportion of Bank of England re-serve is now 42.50 per cent.

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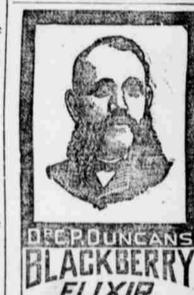
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